
FEBRUARY 11, 1825.

Read twice, and committed to a Committee of the whole House
to-morrow.

A BILL

To confirm certain claims to land in Florida, founded on habitation and cultivation.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 each of the actual settlers in Florida, (or their legal repre-
4 sentatives) whose names are contained in the report of the
5 Commissioners for ascertaining claims and titles to land in
6 Florida, be, and they are hereby, confirmed in their title to
7 six hundred and forty acres of land, to be located in one en-
8 tire body, as nearly as possible, in conformity to the surveys
9 of the contiguous public lands, and so as to embrace the
10 principal improvements of the respective claimants.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That the Commis-*
2 sioners for ascertaining claims and titles to land shall cause
3 to be made an extract from the books of all the claims to
4 land which are, by the preceding section, directed to be con-
5 firmed, one copy of which they shall transmit to the Register

6 and Receiver of the Land Office for the District in which
7 said claims are located, and one copy to the principal Sur-
8 veyor of the Territory. And it shall be the duty of the said
9 Register and Receiver to make out and deliver to each indi-
10 vidual claimant a certificate of confirmation, for which the
11 said Register shall be entitled to receive one dollar. And it
12 shall be the duty of the Surveyor to cause to be surveyed
13 each tract of land, the title to which is confirmed by this act.
14 and to cause plats thereof to be transmitted to the Commis-
15 sioner of the General Land Office. And, if it shall appear,
16 to the satisfaction of the said Commissioner, that the certifi-
17 cate of confirmation, and the plat of survey, has been fairly
18 obtained, according to the true intent and meaning of this
19 act, then, and in that case, patents shall be granted in like
20 manner as is provided by law for the other lands of the Unit-
21 ed States.